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Auburn Alumni Association, Auburn, Alabama

With economics, sociology, secretarial training

## API's Business Administration

AUBURN'S department of economics, business administration, sociology and secretarial training can tell an amazing story of growth and of service.

The Auburn story concerns the department which has almost quadrupled its faculty and the number of students it serves within the past 10 years.

Even the teachers who have had a part in shaping the department's development now find it hard to remember the 1946 staff of 11 who served 675 students.

Today a faculty of 43 (including graduate fellows) teaches between 85 and 100 classes every day. The average class is 30 students; the numbers would be even larger if classes were not limited.

### Classrooms filled

EVERY CLASSROOM on the second floor of Tichenor Hall, where the business administration department is located, is filled daily at almost every hour from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Secretarial training, with headquarters on the second floor of the textile building, also uses its classrooms and equipment to capacity.

In spite of this careful use of classrooms, the faculty has to go outside Tichenor Hall—to temporary buildings and the homes of other schools—to do at least 40 per cent of its teaching.

The department, with its several subdivisions, has attracted large numbers of students in recent years.

Almost 60 per cent of the students majoring in the School of Science and Literature are taking business administration, according to Dean Roger W. Allen, '18. The department graduated 140 students in 1953-54.

Students in BA may select areas of specialization from the following major fields: accounting, business and finance, theoretical and applied economics, geography, marketing, personnel management and labor relations, secretarial science, sociology and statistics.

By no means all the students taking courses in the department are majoring or minoring in business or related fields.

A large group of non-BA students is enrolled in "service" courses, such as economics, geography and sociology. These courses are designed to broaden the students' general background.

### Department grows

THE REAL growth of the department of economics and business administration came with the influx of veteran students following World War II. Dr. Charles P. Anson, department head, recalls.

He, himself just preceded the veterans, joining the department in the summer of 1946. Dr. Anson holds a B. S. degree from the University of Wisconsin, a master's from Ohio State University, and his Ph. D. degree from the University of North Carolina.

He had served as a lecturer at North Carolina, and during World War II was an economist with the Office of Price Administration. He had also been on the faculties of Roanoke College, the University of West Virginia and Western Maryland College.

With Dr. Anson's arrival, Auburn's department started a rapid expansion. Other departments of business throughout the nation saw similar hurried extension. Enrollments reached all-time highs in 1948 and 1949.



GEOGRAPHY IS more than locating newspaper trouble spots on a map. Juniors John Cheney, Montgomery, (left), and John Colson, Opelika, (right), have found in Associate Professor Jesse M. Richardson's class that going behind the scenes will uncover historical, cultural, political and economic reasons for many of today's world tensions. Geography is one of the "service" courses which the department of economics and business administration teaches for students from all schools on the campus.

Then, as veteran enrollments dwindled, many business schools felt a recession in 1950 and 1951.

### New faculty

MORE AND MORE Alabama employers have been gaining an awareness of the value of college-trained employees. So despite the national trend, API saw only a slight decrease in enrollment in 1950-51.

The department of economics and business administration barely had time to take stock of itself when enrollment jumped again in 1952.

New faculty members had strengthened the department.

Many of the teachers had earned doctorates or were already working toward them when they came to Auburn. With the three doctorates earned by faculty members during 1954, the economics, business administration, sociology and secretarial training department includes 12 Ph.D.'s.

A number of the other faculty members are doing advanced graduate work.

### Graduate training

IN ADDITION to strong undergraduate programs, the department offers work leading to the degree of master of science in business administration. Each year the department awards teaching and research fellowships to a few outstanding students.

Graduate students may elect to specialize in accounting, economics, finance, marketing, statistics, personnel management, industrial relations or transportation. A graduate minor is offered in sociology.

Eighteen graduate students are now on the campus, working toward master's degrees. Accounting and labor relations have been most popular with the students. Marketing and finance have also been well supported.

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One Auburn student returned to the Plains to begin graduate study after he had gone north to be interviewed for a high-paying job. He noticed the company had been hiring only men and women with masters' degrees. "Where would I get without a masters?" he asked.

### Researcher

DR. H. ELLSWORTH Steele holds the economics and business administration research chair. He spend two-thirds of

his time in research and one-third in teaching. Dr. Steele has concentrated his recent studies in labor and personnel fields.

With W. R. Myles, assistant professor of economics, and Dr. Sherwood C. McIntyre, head professor of psychology in the School of Education, Dr. Steele has formed a research team.

These three experts have completed eight major studies. Southern trade journals and professional journals have carried articles about their findings.

A number of other studies have been accepted for future use in a wide range of publications.

In the newest study, Dr. Steele and his associates are asking, "Is there any difference in personnel practices in Northern and Southern plants?"

The research team will look for regional influences on personnel. It will find out the differences between the personnel program of a single plant, one operated under "absentee ownership" of a large manufacturing firm, and one which serves as headquarters of a multi-plant company.

### Text book authors

PROFESSIONAL JOURNALS and trade magazines have published a number of articles and studies by other members of the faculty.

Dr. Harold E. Klontz is the author of "Problems in Elementary Statistics." Charles W. Lewis has written a second edition of the textbook, "Essentials of Selling." John W. Kennedy was a co-author of "A Problem Manual of Economic Theory." Dr. Fred H. Arnold has written a supplementary text on "Economic Principles."

The teaching staff members belong to more than 20 professional organizations on national, regional and state levels. Many of the Auburn business administration faculty hold offices, such as Miss Mary George Lamar, '33, who is president of the Alabama Business Education Association.

### Outside speakers

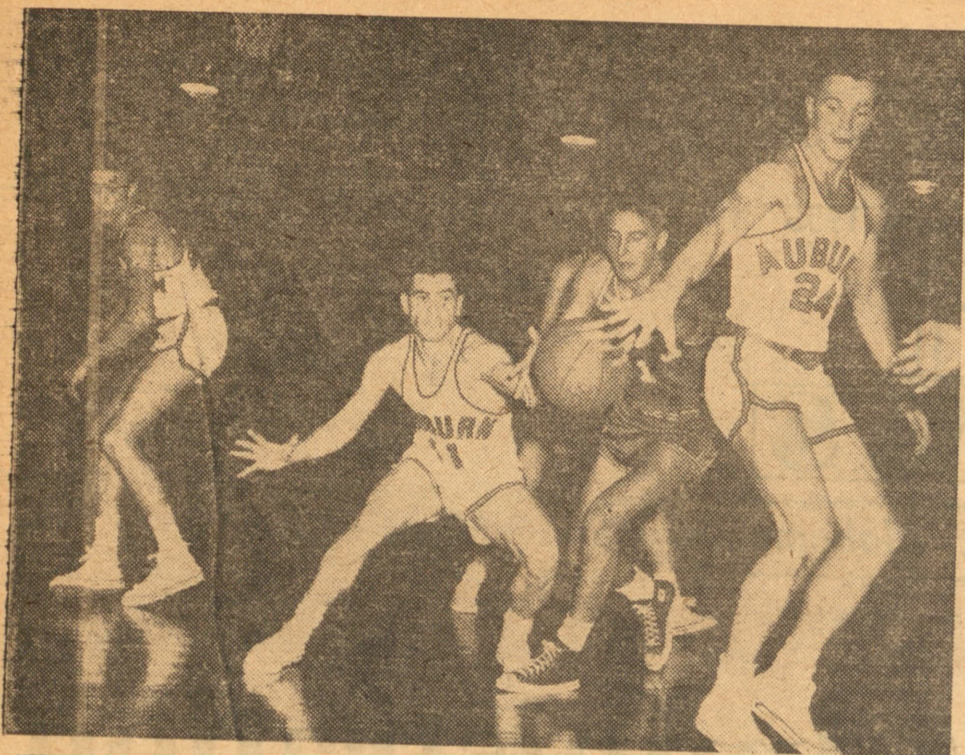
BUSINESSMEN, union and labor officials, accountants and specialists in all

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IN A STATISTICS lab, business administration students gain experience working out problems with calculators. Majors in the department study both statistics and accounting as a part of their required work.





TWO OF AUBURN'S "running runs," Guard Brownie Nelson (11) and Forward Jim O'Donnell (24) scramble for the ball with a Florida player at the Auburn sports arena. Auburn won, 93-69.

## Tigers' record is 9-5

# Cagers 'Surprise Team'

By Red Provost, '55

SPORTING a 9-5 record with 70 per cent of the season tucked away, Coach Joel Eaves' basketball Plainsmen were still considered one of the surprise teams of the Southeastern Conference.

Seeded eleventh by some and twelfth by others in pre-season guessing, the "running runs" had utilized a fast-break attack to win their first seven successive games.

They were the last undefeated major college cage squad in the nation before the potent Crimson Tide of Alabama set them back in the eighth tilt Jan. 15.

## Tiger scorers

CAPTAIN BILL Kirkpatrick, 5-10 guard who is a strong contender for all-conference honors, was currently leading the Auburn scoring with an average of 21.3 points per game.

Jim O'Donnell was a second with a 15.7 average, followed by center Gordon Mummert, (12.4), guard Brownie Nelson (10.8), and forward Jim Diamond (8.4).

Leading in field goal accuracy was Mummert, making good on 49.3 per cent of his two-point attempts.

As the hardwood men prepared for a Feb. 12 engagement with the Florida Gators, their record since the last issue of THE ALUMNEWS stood:

## Auburn 78, Alabama 99

ALABAMA'S HIGHLY rated Crimson Tide burst the Tigers' undefeated bubble in the Montgomery Coliseum Jan. 15 before 9,000 fans. Superior height gave the Tuscaloosans control of the backboards and was probably the main factor in the scoring.

Jerry Harper had 27 points for the winners, while O'Donnell led the Tigers with 21 points, closely followed by Kirkpatrick with 20.

## Auburn 83, Georgia 88

ALTHOUGH AUBURN sank more field goals than the Bulldogs, Georgia's edge at the foul line provided the margin of victory. As predicted, the tilt was a battle of guards, with Georgia's Mur-

phy McManus leading the scoring with 29 points, and with Auburn's Kirkpatrick and Nelson amassing 26 and 22 points respectively. The Jan. 22 fracas was held in Athens.

## Auburn 70, Georgia Tech 73

THE EAVESMEN played host to the Yellow Jackets in the Auburn Sports Arena Jan. 26.

It was as close and exciting a game as had been witnessed all season, with the underdog Engineers pulling it out of the fire in the waning seconds. Height again seemed to spell the difference. The consistent Kirkpatrick managed to collect 22 points during the evening.

## Auburn 93, Florida 69

THE MEN FROM the Plains regained their earlier form Jan. 29, at the expense of the hapless Florida Gators in Auburn.

This was Mummert's night to shine. He and O'Donnell (with 22 and 17 points respectively) teamed up under the backboards to give a superb exhibition of control.

## Auburn 78, Georgia 76

VENGEANCE WAS the keyword Jan. 31, as the Tigers lured the Bulldogs onto the Plains for a dose of their own medicine. Auburn capitalized on foul shots, and Kirkpatrick tallied 20 points during the evening.

## Auburn 74, Vanderbilt 79

IN NASHVILLE Feb. 5, Vanderbilt put on a blazing stretch drive to win a game which was tied at halftime, 36-36. O'Donnell was high man for Auburn with 21 points, while Kirkpatrick managed 18.

## Auburn 67, Georgia Tech 75

THE STING of the Yellow Jacket put Coach Eaves' charges completely out of the running for the SEC Championship Feb. 7. The Tech crew had upset Kentucky for the second straight time, and the Atlantans thrive on their successes on their home courts.

## 1955 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 24	University of Chattanooga	Auburn
Oct. 1	University of Florida	Auburn
Oct. 8	University of Kentucky	Birmingham
Oct. 15	Georgia Tech	Atlanta, Ga.
Oct. 22	Furman University	Auburn
Oct. 29	Tulane University	New Orleans, La.
Nov. 5	Mississippi State (HC)	Auburn
Nov. 12	University of Georgia	Columbus, Ga.
Nov. 19	Clemson College	Mobile
Nov. 26	University of Alabama	Birmingham

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# The Auburn Sports Scene

By Bill Beckwith, '51



THIS MONTH Offensive Backfield Coach Charlie Waller was given a farewell party at the home of pal Buck Bradberry. All the Auburn coaching staff joined in the rather sad occasion.

The athletic folks presented a farewell gift to Ralph Jordan's fine young assistant. Waller was another who was lured away from Plains—this time by the Southwest kingpin, the University of Texas.

After the 1951 season, Jordan lost line assistant Homer Hobbs to Navy. The first farewell party was given then. Hobbs—by the way—was named head coach at Furman University recently.

Coaches like Hobbs and Waller are a real tribute to Jordan and Athletic Director Jeff Beard.

## Moving up

AUBURN'S DEFENSIVE backfield coach since 1951, Buck Bradberry, may have reached a turning point in his Auburn career when Waller left. No longer will he be classified as a defensive specialist; he's Jordan's new backfield coach.

This is a real promotion for a deserving young assistant.

While Bradberry will devote most of his time to the offensive with Offensive Line Coach Shot Senn, the majority of the work with the defensive backs will be in the hands of Hal Herring, defensive coach.

Jordan foresees no new aide on his staff. If spring training discloses that a backfield man is needed, one will be named later to work under Bradberry.

## Five starters lost

ENJOY YOUR optimism about the 1955 football season and championship hopes. But remember what Coach Jordan says:

"We lost five starters from the Gator Bowl Champions—five starters that we can't replace and five of the finest football players I have ever coached.

"Bobby Freeman was the finest quarterback in the nation and we couldn't dare hope for another; Jack Locklear was as fine a center as there was in the SEC and we don't have another; Dave Middleton must have been a great halfback—he was the No. 1 choice of the Detroit Lions; George Atkins was the finest guard we've had; and Capt. Jimmy Long was a great end.

"True," says Jordan, "we have a wonderful bunch of sophomores coming up. I doubt if there are any Freemans, Locklears, Atkins, Middletons, and Longs in the group."

For the first time in Auburn's history, six graduating gridders were drafted by professional football teams. They are

QB Bobby Freeman and C Jack Locklear by Cleveland; RH Dave Middleton and G George Atkins by Detroit; E Jim Hall by San Francisco, and T George Rogers by Green Bay.

## From here and there

TIGER BRIEFS—The athletic career of Vince Dooley, '54, came to an end during early February when he mangled a knee during a basketball game for the Quantico Marines. "Lieutenant Dooley's football career is definitely over," stated the base physician. Vince had hopes of pro football after discharge. . . . Speaking of knees, Jim Pyburn underwent an operation for a cartilage in Columbus in February. The cutting was successful. Pyburn says that he'll play baseball during the spring.

Auburn's basketball team, the "running runs," will have to give up their nickname next season when freshmen Bill McGriff (6-7), Bill Gregory (6-8), and Terry Chandler (6-3) arrive on the scene. . . . Coach Joel Eaves has signed four outstanding prep cagers to grant-in-aids. They are Jimmy Lee (6-1) of Baker Village, Ga.; Ty Samples (6-3) of Huntsville; Rex Frederick (6-6) of Corner, and Jude Talbott (6-5) of Bradstown, Ky.

Cage guard Brownie Nelson of Cullman is one of eleven children. . . . Dick McGowan's baseball team, which compiled a 17-5 record last spring, returns everyone except 1-B Bob Nagel and SS Joe Davis. . . . Did you know that football signer Leo Sexton's father was a shot putter on the same Olympic squad with Percy Beard? Young Sexton was a star end on the North Fulton (Atlanta) team.

M. L. Brackett (6-4 and 240) was the big boy on the Plains until freshman tackle Bill Walter (6-5 and 245) checked in for spring training from Chicago. . . . Speaking of Chicago, highly-touted end Rich Kreitling, recognized as the best end in Illinois, also checked into our camp for spring drills and an education. . . . A certain national slick-covered magazine might feature Joe Childress on the cover of its August football grid edition.

Eight first quarter freshmen are going through spring practice—Walter, Kreitling, and QB Bob Tokarz, all of Chicago; QB Eli Stevens, G Frank Larussa, E Jerry Wilson, and E Nicky Prosch, all of Birmingham, and T Jimmy Grantham of Jesup, Ga. . . . Jordan's new halfback for a rainy day is Sophomore Louis Preis of Waterproof, La.

Even a poet would be proud of such names as Martin Luther Brackett, Bill Mooneyham, Bill Burbank, and Ronald Higginbotham.

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## MORRISON GIVES AUBURN ITS FIRST GE-MATCHED FUNDS

GEORGE McQUEEN MORRISON, '41, is the first Auburn alumnus among General Electric employees to participate in the company's new corporate alumnus program.

The plan, set up by the trustees of the General Electric Educational and Charitable Fund, provides that GE will match (up to \$1,000) contributions which its employees make to their alma maters as unrestricted gifts.

When the program was not quite a month old, Mr. Morrison sent a contribution to API through the Auburn Alumni Association. Under the terms of the GE program which was started Jan. 1, the funds may be used by the college "to realize or foster the primary needs and objectives of an institution of higher education."

Mr. Morrison, an electrical engineer, makes his home in Pittsfield, Mass. He is a native of Ensley, and was a member of Eta Kappa Nu honorary while at Auburn. During World War II, he was an officer in the Army Engineers.

## Auburn Club News

### Tri-Cities

JOHN J. BEGGS, '20, incoming president of the Tri-Cities Auburn Club, presided at the Feb. 2 meeting at the Florence City Hall.

Club members saw a film of Auburn's football victory over Alabama last fall. Mr. Beggs is manager of Sterchi Stores in Florence and Sheffield. He has been with the furniture store chain for 20 years.

Other officers of the Tri-Cities Club are Vernon Lenwood Collins, '36, vice president; Marcus M. Striplin, Jr., '33, secretary; and John Howard (Red) McClanahan, '43, treasurer.

Mr. Collins is a mechanical engineer and Mr. Striplin is a chemical engineer with the Tennessee Valley Authority. Both are located at Wilson Dam. Mr. McClanahan is distribution engineer for the City of Florence.

### Brewton

ABOUT 35 Auburn alumni in Escambia County attended a club meeting in Brewton Feb. 1.

Coach Hal Herring, '46, showed and described the Gator Bowl film. Dr. Philip Gilchrist, '36, veterinarian from Mobile, spoke on Auburn.

Alumni Secretary Joe Sarver, '37, was present.

### Mobile

THE GATOR BOWL film was shown to about 50 Mobile alumni at a meeting of the Auburn Club of Mobile Feb. 2 in the Battle House.

Coach Hal Herring, '46, served as narrator for the picture. Alumni Secretary Joe Sarver, '37, talked about API.

### Middle Tennessee

A PRE-GAME smoker and dinner was held by the Nashville, Tenn., Auburn Club in the Nqel Hotel before the Vanderbilt-Auburn basketball game Feb. 5.

About 60 alumni attended the smoker and went to the basketball game in a group. They watched movies of Auburn's Dec. 31 Gator Bowl triumph over Baylor Bears.

Alumni Secretary Joe Sarver, '37, attended the meeting. With him were Auburn cheerleaders Bill Pickens and Don Allen. The students led the Auburn cheering section at the game.

### Scheduled meetings

THE HOUSTON Auburn Club will play host to API alumni in Texas on March 26. The meeting will be held in the 10th floor lounge of the Prudential Building. A reception from 7-8 p.m. will be followed by a general meeting.

Coach Ralph (Shug) Jordan, '32, and Mrs. Jordan will be guests of the Houston Club, and Coach Jordan will speak.

The color-sound film of Auburn's Gator Bowl victory over Baylor will be shown at the end of the meeting.

Monroe Floyd, '46, is president of the Houston Club. Walter Kinzer, '26, is chairman of the arrangements committee.



SUDDENLY LINDA McCree and Jim Scott find themselves accused of witchcraft as the terror of Salem trials in the late 17th Century is re-created in "The Crucible," Auburn Players' winter quarter production. The Players, now in their 36th season, gave 10 performances of the historical drama to capacity audiences at Biggin Hall Gallery. Charles W. Baker, instructor in dramatic arts, staged the play "In the round."

### Land-grant system

## Reaches Century Mark

THE LAND-Grant College System, of which the Alabama Polytechnic Institute is a part, is 100 years old this month.

The first land-grant college in the United States, Michigan State College, was founded Feb. 12, 1855. Today there are 51 land-grant colleges.

Under the Morrill Act of 1862, individual states were granted land with which to finance the establishment of colleges. Objects of these colleges was "to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts. . . . to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes."

API became the land-grant college of Alabama in 1872.

### Steady growth

AUBURN ORGANIZED six schools to serve its students in 1872. These were agriculture, chemistry, engineering, science and literature, graduate studies and military science and tactics.

Other schools established at API include pharmacy, 1885; veterinary medicine, 1892; architecture, 1907; education, 1909; home economics, 1914; naval science, 1945; air science, 1946.

Auburn's growth is an example of the steady increase in land-grant col-

leges throughout the county. In 1872, Auburn had 103 students.

### Record of service

"WE ARE proud of Auburn's record of service," President Ralph B. Draughon, '22, pointed out. He believes service has accounted for rapid growth.

This growth has brought:

- (1) An enrollment of almost 9,000 students on the campus during each 12 months.
- (2) A state-wide agricultural research division with a main station at Auburn and 24 research areas throughout the state.
- (3) A state-wide extension service with county and home agents and assistants in each of Alabama's 67 counties.

### True to goals

"FEW EDUCATIONAL institutions have accomplished so much with so little money," Dr. Draughon said. "Throughout the years API has remained true to its great responsibility of teaching the principles of science and their application to the needs of the agricultural and industrial classes."

"We in Alabama must learn to use the new tools that scientific research has given us as we move forward into a new era," he explained.

## BA Department Expected To Continue Amazing Growth

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fields come to Auburn as lecturers.

Delta Sigma Pi, the students' professional business fraternity, has been active in bringing speakers to the campus. These experts have discussed all phases of business, from insurance, banking, personnel and transportation to accounting and retailing.

The fraternity members also take special trips. Twice in 1954 Delta Sigma Pi members visited Mobile; to see the State Docks and to attend a banking trainee program of the Alabama Bankers Association.

Many professors arrange field trips to Birmingham, Atlanta, Montgomery, Mobile and other nearby points.

Through the work of one faculty member, the Alabama Truckers Association has offered a \$500 gift scholarship annually to a student in the field of motor transportation.

### Job opportunities

THE GRADUATES, especially those with good records, receive a number of job offers.

One senior explained his accounting major in this way: "I like to work with figures—they are fun for me. I decided to go into the field only after taking aptitude tests and finding I could do well."

"If I decide to go into public accounting, I will have the promise of a bright future," he added. "But the starting pay is better in private accounting."

Graduate Placement Director Scott Farley, '46, said business firms and industries interview a number of business administration seniors each quarter. The students are offered jobs in retailing, merchandising, all types of sales training programs, transportation, insurance, service work and personnel.

### More faculty needed

WHAT ABOUT the future of the department of economics and business administration?

Dr. Anson realizes that demands for more specialized junior and senior



DR. CHARLES P. ANSON

courses will be stepped up in the next two years.

"We will need to increase our faculty at least 30 per cent within the next two years to handle the students who are now enrolled as freshmen and sophomores."

With an eye to the more distant future, Dr. Anson predicts the expansion of sociology and secretarial training areas.

Based on the predictions of the department's statisticians, the peak enrollment will come in 1970. Business administration and the related fields may show a 138 per cent increase over 1955 enrollment, or a total of 2,600 students in 1970.

The economics and business administration professors say that they see no end to this growth. For as the state's economy continues to expand, more students will come to Auburn to learn to serve Alabama's business and industries even more efficiently.



DR. JOHN R. Brokhoff, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Charlotte, N. C., talks with two Auburn students after setting the keynote for Auburn's 1955 Religious Emphasis Week. His opening address in Langdon Hall Jan. 24 was "American, Quo Vadis?"



Tisdale changed control industry as a

# Doctor for Plant Diseases

THE AUBURN man whose work with fungicides revolutionized the science of plant-disease control has retired.

He is Dr. Wendell H. Tisdale, '14, of Wilmington, Del. Dr. Tisdale, a plant pathologist, had served as technical advisor on agricultural subjects for duPont Co. for 27 years.

He was one of the first trained scientists to direct industrial research on fungicides and insecticides. During his career with duPont, Dr. Tisdale was instrumental in the development of dithiocarbamate and thiuramsulfide fungicides, organic compounds which have proved much more effective in disease control than older inorganic compounds.

Dr. Tisdale is also well known for working out a method of controlling straighthead disease of rice, which is still in use after more than 30 years. He did this research while a plant pathologist with the U. S. Department of Agriculture in Washington, D. C.

## 'Big Tiz, Little Tiz'

WENDELL AND his older brother, William B., enrolled at API as freshmen in 1910.

The brothers, from Bluff Springs, Fla., were known as "Big Tiz" and "Little Tiz" to their Auburn classmates.

Both took botany. "Probably the fact that I was brought up on a farm near Georgiana and hesitated to get away from agriculture was an important reason for my selecting botany," Wendell said.

"I received much encouragement from Dr. J. S. Caldwell, head of botany at Auburn, and from Dr. F. A. Wolf, who was the state plant pathologist," he recalled.

Dr. William B. Tisdale, also a 1914 graduate, is now head of the department of botany and plant pathology at the University of Florida in Gainesville. Another brother, Lionel E. Tisdale, a '19 graduate in agriculture, is in citrus production at Winter Haven, Fla.

The family also includes a brother in Florida, and four sisters in Alabama and Texas.

## Double major

"WHEN I entered the University of Wisconsin in 1914, I expected to be put in the junior class. To my surprise, I found that Auburn had been raised to A rating and I could enter graduate school instead," Dr. Tisdale said.

"I soon learned that the thorough preparation at Auburn made the graduate course work relatively easy. I can thank Auburn for a thorough job."

Dr. Tisdale carried a double major at Wisconsin: plant pathology and genetics. He fulfilled requirements for Ph.D. degrees in both departments, receiving the degree in 1917.

While a graduate student, he became member of the scientific honoraries, Sigma Xi, Phi Sigma and Gamma Sigma Delta.

## Rice disease studies

DURING WORLD War I, Dr. Tisdale was scientific assistant in the cereal office of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. After a year as head of the botany department at North Carolina State College of Agriculture, he was named pathologist in charge of rice disease and grain smut investigations for the Department of Agriculture.

Here Dr. Tisdale published a number of papers on his research with diseases of tomatoes, flax, and small grains. He developed the method of control of straighthead disease of rice and was also instrumental in producing smut resistant strains of wheat.

In 1926, Dr. Tisdale joined duPont as a research pathologist assigned to seed disinfectants.

While in charge of research on insecticides and fungicides for the organic chemicals department, Dr. Tisdale was one of the first to draw



WENDELL H. TISDALE, '14

state and federal research institutions into cooperative work with industry.

Dr. Tisdale joined the new products section of duPont's Grasselli Chemicals Department in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1934. He became manager of its pest control research section, with headquarters at the experiment station in Wilmington three years later.

## 'Real retirement'

DR. TISDALE is credited with the development of "Lignasan" fungicide for control of stain-producing fungi in lumber. He also helped to develop "Ceresan" seed disinfectant.

As technical advisor to Grasselli, Dr. Tisdale devoted much of his time to control measures of plant diseases, insects and weeds in Central and South America.

The pathologist has published a number of papers and lectured widely on

agricultural topics. He is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a member of the American Phytopathological Society and the American Public Health Association.

Hunting, fishing, golfing and traveling are providing "real retirement" for Dr. and Mrs. Tisdale. "After further relaxation, I may take a part-time job as an agricultural consultant," he said.

Dr. and Mrs. Tisdale have two children. Dr. Glenn Tisdale, who holds a Ph.D. from Yale, is senior research engineer in electronics at the Schlumberger Co.'s electro-mechanical research laboratory at Ridgefield, Conn. Marilyn Tisdale, a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan and Ohio State University, is practicing occupational therapy at Meadowbrook Hospital in Hempstead, N. Y.

## Alumni Association Gives Television To Faculty Club

A 21-INCH General Electric television set has been placed in the Faculty Club Lounge in the Auburn Union by the Auburn Alumni Association.

Alumni Secretary Joseph B. Sarver, Jr., '37, presented the gift to Cleveland L. Adams, '32, president of the API Faculty Club for 1955.

First pictures received on the new set were of Gov. James E. Folsom's inaugural ceremonies in Montgomery Jan. 17.

The Faculty Club opened its 1955 membership drive with a spaghetti supper in the Union ballroom, Jan. 27. The supper also marked the club's first year with a permanent lounge for Auburn faculty members. The Union building quarters were first occupied in early 1954, during the term of retiring club president Charles P. Anson, head of the department of economics and business administration.

Officers for 1955, in addition to Mr. Adams, include Dr. K. M. Autrey, head of dairy husbandry, vice president; W. Frank Powell, '25, purchasing agent, secretary; Walter Shell, assistant professor of economics and business administration, treasurer. Directors include Dr. J. F. Ferry, professor of botany; S. H. Nichols, associate professor of chemistry; Dr. C. F. Simmons, '32, associate dean of the School of Agriculture; and Dr. Anson, ex-officio.

Mr. Adams is head of the department of textile technology.

## Pop Paterson Retires As Football Official

FOR 25 YEARS William W. (Pop) Paterson, '29, has been a football official. He has blown his umpire's whistle at high school games, at college clashes and in two major bowls.

Late in January, Mr. Paterson announced that he had benched himself permanently as an official. His retirement from the playing field follows two years as president of the Southeastern Conference Football Officials.

Pop, the son of the late William B. Paterson, '02, has been a football player or an official since his early teens, when he made the Lainer High School team.

At Auburn he was captain of the luckless 1927 Tigers. The team tied two games and lost seven.

Following his graduation, Pop joined other members of his family in Rosemont Gardens in Montgomery. He is now president of Rosemont Greenhouses.

Mr. Paterson became a Southern Conference official the year after he left Auburn. After military service in World War II, he became associated with the Southeastern Conference.

He was called upon to serve in the 1950 Orange Bowl game between Santa Clara and Kentucky, and was chosen an official by the Sugar Bowl for the Kentucky-Oklahoma game in 1951.

Powell, '39, is behind the reactor providing

# Atoms for Research Scientists

RUNNING ONE of the world's largest atomic research reactors is the business of Robert W. Powell, '39.

Mr. Powell, a chemical engineer, heads the reactor operations division of Brookhaven National Laboratory at Upton, N. Y. The research laboratory, operated jointly by nine leading Eastern universities, is under contract to the Atomic Energy Commission.

Scientists in all fields use the laboratory facilities. The tools for basic research include not only one of the largest atomic reactors in the world, but also a cosmotron, a cyclotron and a Van de Graff generator.

The entire laboratory employs about 1,200 people.

## Tuesday shutdown

IT IS Mr. Powell's job to keep the reactor going 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Actually the Brookhaven reactor operates about 90 per cent of the time. The reactor is the "machine" in which atomic materials gain radioactivity.

Regularly scheduled shut downs Tuesday nights allow time to install or remove research materials and to do maintenance with a minimum of interruption to valuable experiments.

Mr. Powell and his operations staff run the reactor entirely for the use of the researchers. Unlike most other reactors, the one at Brookhaven has no production commitments to meet. Actual in-pile experiments are possible.

The products of the reactor—such as radioactive isotopes and other materials useful in research and industry and medicine—are shipped to all parts of the country, Mr. Powell explained.

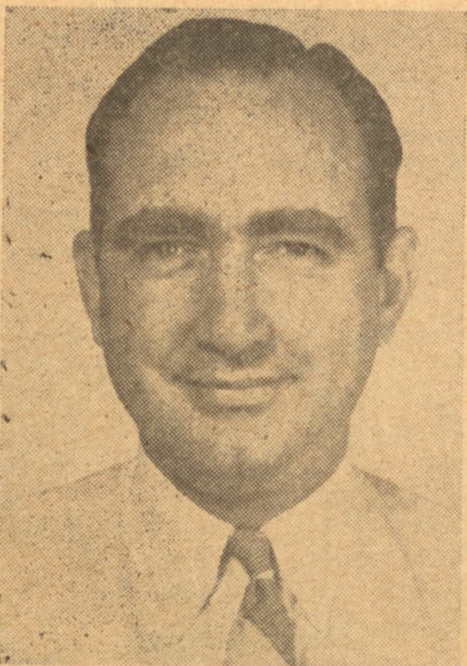
## Cancer research

BROOKHAVEN has a 34-bed hospital located at the laboratory. Here a wide variety of work, including cancer research, is being carried out in conjunc-

tion with the reactor. This work has attracted nation-wide attention.

## Auburn honoraries

BOB Powell, a native of Birmingham, entered Auburn in 1935. While a student on the Plains, he was a member of Tau Beta Phi and Phi Lambda Upsilon, engineering and chemistry honoraries; Scabbard and Blade; and Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.



ROBERT W. POWELL, '39

Upon graduation he joined cellophane division of duPont-Company. He went on active duty with the Army in 1941. After a short while, he returned to duPont's military explosives division.

"It was this work that eventually led me to the atomic reactor field," Mr. Powell explained. "I worked on the X-10 reactor (the first Oak Ridge reactor), which was built and operat-

ed in its early stages by duPont."

After the end of World War II, duPont turned over its atomic interests to other companies.

## Designs reactor

MR. POWELL chose to stay in atomic work when duPont left the field. In 1947 he joined Brookhaven National Laboratory where he has been ever since.

The Auburn chemical engineer worked on the design of the Brookhaven reactor. The atomic machine was loaded on Aug. 13, 1950. After 16 weeks of exhaustive tests, the reactor was "available for routine operation."

Mr. Powell has been the only head of the laboratory's reactor operation. His staff includes shifts of operators and supervisors who work at the "pile" around the clock, maintenance men, engineers, technicians, and research coordination personnel as well as clerical help.

Although the reactor presents potential hazards to equipment and personnel, careful health physics training in radiation safety makes the job "no more risky than the average in industry."

## Dr. Frazer on staff

AMONG THE Brookhaven staff members is Dr. B. Chambers Frazer, '47, who is doing research in the laboratory's physics department. Dr. Frazer, who studied engineering physics at Auburn, earned his master's degree in physics in 1948. He held a research fellowship at Pennsylvania State College while earning his doctorate there.

At Auburn, Dr. Frazer was a member of Sigma Pi Sigma, physics honorary; and Theta Chi fraternity. He is also a native of Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell, the former Shirley Ann McCartney, live in Sayville, N. Y. They have twin daughters, Mary and Ann, 10. Their other children are Robert, Jr. 8, Keife, 7, Mark, 2, and Luke, six months.



# Alumnalities

Brief sketches and news items  
on Auburn's sons and  
daughters

1890

Gen. Robert E. Noble, Anniston, was guest of honor at the annual DeKalb County Boy Scout leaders' banquet held in Fort Payne. Gen. Noble retired as president of the Choccolocco Boy Scout Council in 1950 after 23 years of service. He is now president emeritus.

1897

Deaths: Robert E. Hudson, 81, Auburn businessman and farmer, at his home Jan. 23. A Chambers County native, he had lived in Auburn 70 years. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Beulah York Hudson; and two daughters, Mrs. Irma Dudley, New Orleans, La.; and Mrs. Howard Lamar, Auburn.

1900

Deaths: Robert C. Rand, 75, in Birmingham in December. Mr. Rand had been an invalid for 16 years. He was a former resident of Huntsville.

1901

No class news.

1902

No class news.

1903

No class news.

1904

George B. Foss makes his home in St. Petersburg, Fla. . . . J. D. Hudson lives in LaGrange, Ga. . . . W. M. Wilson is a resident of Gadsden.

1905

Class reunion: Nov. 4-5, 1955.  
No class news.

1906

"It took 70 years to get Phil Lacey out of the lineup — but friends of the former Auburn fullback know it won't be for long." That's the way the Atlanta Constitution described the Jan. 20 accident in which Edward P. Lacey slipped and broke his hip. Mr. Lacey, now a patient at Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta, is able to have visitors. N. D. Denson, Opelika attorney, who has visited Mr. Lacey, reported: "I found that Phil would like very much to hear from some of the Auburn boys who might have known him back in the old days." His home address is 794 Peachtree Street, N. E., Atlanta. His classmates remember him as the football player who went through five seasons without a substitute.

1907

No class news.

1908

No class news.

1909

Class reunion: Nov. 4-5, 1955.  
Holland E. Cox lives in Birmingham.  
Joe E. Rutledge makes his home in Demopolis.

1910

Deaths: Ridgeway S. Boyd, 65, at Enterprise in December after a brief illness. He had lived in Coffee County most of his life. Survivors include his wife, one brother and three sisters.  
P. P. Powell is professor of chemistry at Auburn. . . . J. Carlisle (Red) Smith lives on Route 3, Marietta, Ga. . . . Ben S. Weil, owner of Mayer Electrical Supply Co. in Birmingham, has been named to the Committee of 100 to "sell" Birmingham to new businesses and industries.

1911

No class news.

1912

No class news.

1913

No class news.

1914

C. A. Basore is head of the department of chemical engineering at Auburn. . . . Henry E. Benbow operates People's Drug Store in Luverne. . . . Eason T. Cook is owner of Cook Jewelry Co. in Opelika. . . . Dr. J. S. Cook is a veterinarian in Union Springs.

M. W. Crenshaw is manager of the electrical department of Banks, Miller Supply Co. at Huntington, W. Va. . . . Lester H. Lewis is director of state farmers' markets at Winter Haven, Fla. . . . Frank P. Samford, president of Liberty National Life Insurance Co., has been named general chairman of Howard College's development program. Mr. Samford was also renamed to Birmingham's Committee of 100 for 1955.

1915

Class reunion: Nov. 4-5, 1955.  
John Asa Simms is district director of State of Alabama for Empire Crafts Corp. of New York. He and Mrs. Simms live in Pensacola, Fla.

1916

J. T. Bickley is a farmer at Jonesboro, Tenn. . . . Robert E. Cammack, director of vocational education for the Alabama Department of Education, has been appointed to the national advisory council on vocational rehabilitation. He will work with the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare in seeking the expansion of the nation's rehabilitation services to restore disabled persons to useful lives.

1917

John B. Leek is connected with Columbia Lumber and Manufacturing Co. in Columbia, S. C.

1918

Deaths: Oliver N. Massengale Jan. 7. Dr. Massengale, a research chemist, was associated with Mead, Johnson and Co. in Evansville, Ind. He earned a BS degree in chemical engineering from Auburn, a master's degree from the University of Iowa and a Ph.D. degree from Rutgers University. He is survived by his wife, a son and a daughter.

Deaths: Dr. Fletcher L. Vinson, 57, well-known Baltimore, Md., veterinarian, Feb. 2, following a heart attack in late January. Dr. Vinson and his brother, Dr. Bryant Curtis Vinson, '30, had operated a small animal hospital in Baltimore for almost 24 years. Dr. Vinson was a member of the Maryland Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, president of the English Setter Association of America, a member of the American Animal Hospital Association, the American Veterinary Medical Association and the Baltimore Kennel Club, which he helped organize. He had judged many of the nation's major dog shows. Dr. Vinson lived on a farm at Glen Arm, Md., where he raised cattle. He was a native of Loachapoka. At Auburn he was a member of Alpha Psi veterinary fraternity. Survivors include his wife, a daughter, a sister and his brother.

1919

E. H. Gentry will become acting president of the Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind at Talladega March 1. Mr. Gentry is former assistant director of the division of vocational education of the Alabama Department of Education. Since joining the institute staff in October, he has served as administrative assistant in charge of vocational activities.

Conway J. Justice, Sr., operates his own drug store in Flomaton. He was the first of four members of his family to graduate from Auburn's School of Pharmacy under Dean Lynn S. Blake. His children, who are all Auburn pharmacy graduates, are Conway J. Justice, Jr., '52, who is in partnership with his

father at Flomaton; Mrs. David E. Green (Jean Justice, '45) now living in Haines, Fla.; and Mrs. Robert E. Weaver, (Joy Justice, '53) Monroe, La. Mr. Weaver is a 1953 graduate in agricultural education.

George A. Mattison, Jr., president of Woodstock Slog Co., has been named to the Birmingham Committee of 100 for 1955.

1920

Charles W. Edwards is registrar at Alabama Polytechnic Institute. . . . Three members of the Class of 1920 have been appointed to Birmingham's Committee of 100 for 1955. They are W. W. French, president of Moore-Handley Hardware Co., co-chairman; James M. Oliver, Westinghouse district manager; and Allen K. Wood, president of Wood Lumber Co.

1921

Lewis M. Funderburg, vice president of Universal Atlas Cement Co. in New York, has assumed direction of the company's engineering activities. He will continue his supervision of operating, purchasing, tests and research work. A native of Gadsden, he started with Universal Atlas as a draftsman at Leeds.

Frank S. McFaden, Sr., lives in Montgomery. . . . Ezra W. Sartain is connected with Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. in New Orleans, La.

1922

Lawrence M. Hollingsworth, Gainesville, Fla., is executive secretary to the state Soil Conservation Board. His office is located on the University of Florida campus.

Clyde E. Posey is president of the Clearwater (Fla.) Merchants Association for 1954-55. He was elected treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce and a member of the executive committee in January. Mr. Posey has been owner and operator of Posey Furniture Co. since 1946.

1923

J. F. Nettles, Superior Fertilizer Co. at Peterman, is vice president of the new Alabama Soil Fertility Society, Inc. . . . Frank M. Stewart, former state commissioner of agriculture and industries, is legislative assistant for the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation. Mr. Stewart makes his home at Hope Hull, where he owns a dairy farm.

1924

Milton M. Collins, General Electric apparatus sales manager for the Birmingham district, has been appointed to the Committee of 100 for 1955. . . . H. L. Holman, Jr., lives in Ozark. . . . Dr. Herman Jones is director of the Georgia State Crime Laboratory. His headquarters are in Atlanta. . . . W. C. Taylor is district supervisor for vocational rehabilitation at the Tuscaloosa Trade School.

1925

Pelham J. Anderson makes his home in Montgomery. . . . Dan Boyd, former solicitor for the Fifth Judicial Circuit, has returned to private law practice in Roanoke. . . . John W. McIntosh lives in Miami, Fla.

Gordon Persons, who completed a four-year term as Alabama's governor in January, is still confined to his home as the result of a heart attack in December. He is reported improving.

Douglas L. Thomas is sales manager for USCO Power Equipment Corp., manufacturers of high voltage electrical equipment, in Birmingham. . . . Raymond Trammell lives on a Barbour County farm near Eufaula.

1926

Earl Cason is district leader of the Rosenberg, Tex., district of the pink bollworm control project of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, which in-

## Pearson Leads Trek To South America

A MODERN "Architects' Trek" of South America will take Mr. and Mrs. Clyde C. Pearson, '26, 15,000 miles during the month of February.

Mr. Pearson, Montgomery architect and director of the Gulf States District of the American Institute of Architects, has been chosen trip leader. Making the journey are 17 American architects and their wives, representing states from Montana and Illinois to Louisiana and Florida.

The Trek is sponsored each year by the American Institute of Architects. It emphasizes the architecture of five major South American countries.

Mr. Pearson is immediate past president of the Auburn Alumni Association.



Mr. Pearson The group left Miami, Fla., for

Panama on the first wing of the trek Feb. 1. The trip will include visits to Lima, Peru; Santiago and Vina del Mar, Chile; Buenos Aires, Argentina; Montevideo, Uruguay; Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; and Caracas, Venezuela.

Members of the National Societies of Architects in each of the countries will be hosts for sight-seeing, receptions and other social events. The Architects' Trek will end in Miami March 1.

cludes an 11-county area. His daughter, Linda, is a freshman at the University of Texas. . . . Leverett M. Moore lives in Columbus, Ohio.

1927

L. O. Brackeen, API director of publicity, is 1955 chairman of the Auburn Community Chest. . . . Dr. Dupree Davis lives in Dothan. . . . Oscar A. Moore is general manager of the Greenwood County power plant at Ninety Six, S. C. Following his graduation from API, he worked in Alabama Power Co.'s production department. In 1940 he joined the Greenwood County commission. Mr. and Mrs. Moore have two children, O. A. Jr., a sophomore in pre-dentistry at the University of South Carolina, and Mary Ann, 13.

W. H. H. Putnam, general manager of the Birmingham Water Works, is one of the members of Birmingham's Committee of 100.

1928

Thurston Adams is director of student activities at the University of Miami, Miami, Fla.

Col. Harry L. Fox was presented the State of Alabama's highest award—the Alabama Distinguished Service Medal—before he ended 18 months of service as Mobile district engineer for the U. S. Corps of Engineers. He has reported to a new assignment in France. At the direction of Gov. Gordon Persons, '25, Col. Fox was cited for "distinguished service to his country and to the state." His record included supervision of work projects in the State of Alabama costing \$27,200,000.

N. G. Norris lives at Covin. . . . Daniel O. Sikes is a resident of New Orleans, La.

1929

Robert Blakey lives in Phoenix, Ariz. . . . Charles D. Bradley is a resident of Hamden, Conn. . . . Comer A. Carmack, Sr., lives in Columbus, Ga. . . . Howard E. Cheatham is a director of the new bank at Greenville, which has been issued a charter by the state banking department.



W. Baxter Collier lives in Grady. . . . George A. (Gus) Dozier operates a contracting firm in Montgomery. . . . James C. Oliver is a testing engineer with the Alabama State Highway Department in Montgomery.

Sam S. Romano, pharmacist, lives in Birmingham. . . . Mrs. Robert Sander-son (Martha Haupt) lives in Monroe-ville. . . . J. F. Shackelford, president of Wimberly and Thomas Hardware Co., is a member of Birmingham's industry-seeking Committee of 100.

## 1930

Class Reunion: Nov. 4-5, 1955.

Deaths: John Malcolm Cook, Jr., of Birmingham Nov. 23. Survivors include his wife.

The Rev. Braxton Bragg Comer Life is rector of historic Christ Church in Alexandria, Va. The Episcopal church was built before the Revolutionary War. George Washington was one of the church's vestrymen; his pew and that of Robert E. Lee are marked with silver facsimile autographs. During World II President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston Churchill attended services there. The church now has an active communicant list of more than 800 persons.

L. Lee Sledge makes his home in Gadsden. . . . Robert P. Willingham is a resident of Mobile. . . . John L. Wilson operates a tax consultation service in Washington, D. C.

## 1931

Births: A daughter, Pamela Aline, to Mr. and Mrs. James Howard Pitts of Auburn Dec. 21. Mr. Pitts owns Auburn's Pitts Hotel.

B. Campbell Blake, general manager of Connors Steel Division of H. K. Porter Co. of Birmingham, has been named to the Committee of 100 for 1955. . . . John Jay Cohen has moved from Augusta to Atlanta. . . . Joe R. Martin, Sr., makes his home in Arlington, Tex. . . . John N. Wilkinson, Jr., is associated with West Georgia Pulpwood and Timber Co. in Hogansville, Ga.

## 1932

Births: A son, Alan Walter, to Dr. and Mrs. John W. Letson of Bessemer. Dr. Letson is Bessemer's superintendent of education.

R. Platt Boyd, Jr., has been at Fort Belvoir, Va., on the faculty of the Engineer School for two years. He is chief of the logistics branch, department of military art. . . . Charles E. (Tip) Mathews of Spring Hill is editorial writer and editor of the Mobile Press editorial page. He is former state editor of the newspaper. The Mathews have two daughters, one of whom is planning to enter Auburn in 1956.

## 1933

Dr. Kenneth N. Byrne practices internal medicine at Grace Hospital, a privately operated 200-bed general hospital at Welch, W. Va. Dr. Byrne owns and pilots his private plane, a Cessna 170. . . . Leonard S. Cook is vice president and general manager of Hulsey Concrete Products Inc., in Chattanooga, Tenn. He has two daughters, Beverly Marie, 11, and Patricia Gail, 6.

Mary George Lamar, instructor of secretarial science at Auburn, presided at the sessions of the Alabama Business Education Association Workshop at Livingston State Teachers College in February. Miss Lamar is state president of the association. Dr. Delos P. Culp, '37, president of LSTC, was also on the program.

C. D. Roberts lives in Wylam, Birmingham. . . . Dr. Derrick Turnipseed is on the surgical staff at Bethesda Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Md.

## 1934

John H. Assell and William F. James are connected with USCO Power Equipment Co., manufacturers of high voltage electrical equipment in Birmingham. Both have been with USCO since its founding in 1946. Mr. Assell is purchasing agent and Mr. James is chief engineer.

Marian Cotney, Shelby County home demonstration agent, was named the county's "Citizen of the Year" for 1954 in a competition sponsored by the Columbiana Reporter-Democrat. Miss Cotney, a native of Wadley, has been in Shelby County for 14 years. During that time the number of home demonstration clubs has increased from 16 to 23. They now serve 930 women, or more than double the number of members in 1940. The 26 4-H clubs have 981 members.



IN APPRECIATION for a scholarship donated by Auburn students, the International Christian University in Japan has sent a flowering cherry tree to API. Planting the tree on the west lawn of Samford Hall are (left to right) Jim Rosser of Anniston, superintendent of campus drives; James E. Foy, director of student affairs; and Jim Johnson of Tusculumbia, student body president. The scholarship received a portion of the more than \$1,500 which students contributed during last fall's All-Campus Drive.

## 1935

Births: A daughter, Elizabeth Kester, to Mr. and Mrs. Knox Long (Maxine Downey, '42) of Montgomery Jan. 13.

John E. Beck lives in Decatur, Ga. . . . Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Booth (Evelyn Passmore) make their home in Montgomery. . . . Maj. William B. Capps, who has been retired by the U. S. Army due to physical disability, has returned to Auburn and is enrolled as a pre-veterinary student. Mrs. Capps is the former Nell Isbell, '42. . . . Linwood E. Funchess has been promoted to the rank of colonel. Col. Funchess is United States Army instructor at the Turkish Army Engineer School in Ankara, Turkey.

Parker P. Powell, Jr., has joined the sales division of Beady Chemical Co. of Kansas City, Mo. He will continue to live in Edwardsville, Ill., and will serve the surrounding territory. Mr. and Mrs. Powell have two sons. . . . John S. Scott, Huntsville, is president of the Alabama Association of Insurance Agents. A classmate, Joe E. Cooper, also of Huntsville, is a member of the board of directors. . . . Richard M. Steere is associate professor of electrical engineering at Auburn. Mrs. Steere is the former Emma B. Sellers, '36.

## 1936

Births: A son, Alan, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Alan B. Weissinger of Mobile Jan. 4.

Marriages: Mrs. Helen Stevens Womelsdorf of Albany, Ga., and Auburn, to Robert D. Butler of Camilla, Ga., in Albany Dec. 18. They are making their home in Camilla.

Lt. Col. Eugene M. Lee is serving in the Far East. His address is MAAG-J, APO 500, San Francisco, Calif.

## 1937

Marriages: Mary Frances Gibbons, '49, of LaGrange, Ga., and Deatsville, to Charlie Mack Stokes July 7. Mr. and Mrs. Stokes are living in Auburn, where he is associate agricultural engineer for the API Experiment Station.

John E. Langley is group head of the equipment inspection department of Esso Standard Oil Co.'s Refinery at Baton Rouge, La. . . . C. M. Reeves is principal of Huguley School in Chambers County. A World War I veteran with overseas service, Mr. Reeves has taught 44 years. He has been at Huguley School since 1938. Three of his sons are Auburn graduates—Charles M., Jr., '40, Billie Joe, '49, and W. Jack, '49. Mrs. Reeves and their son, Robert Benson, are both seniors at Auburn now. The Reeves also have a daughter in high school.

## 1938

James D. Orr, Jr., of Opelika, has qualified for the 1954 National Field Club, honor group of Mutual Life In-

surance Co. of New York. . . . Lt. Col. John James Powell is post veterinarian at West Point, N. Y.

## 1939

Maj. Clyde H. Bynum makes his home in Dayton, Ohio. . . . Jordan W. Langford, former assistant county agent in Pike County, is now superintendent of the API Plant Breeding Unit at Tallahassee. He manages the 700-acre experimental farm where nursery and variety tests are conducted under the general supervision of the agronomy and soils department at Auburn.

Mrs. Annie Paul Moon Rounds is dietitian at the new six-county tuberculosis hospital in Gadsden. . . . Dr. and Mrs. Earnest T. Rouse (Eleanor Scott) have moved into a new home at 22 Oakleigh Lane, St. Louis, Mo. Dr. Rouse maintains offices in St. Louis and Clayton, and is on the internal medicine staff at Barnes Hospital. He also teaches classes at Washington University's Medical College. The Rouses have two sons and a daughter.

Maj. George L. Shumaker, operations officer of the 532nd Amphibious Support Regiment in Japan, has been awarded the Commendation Ribbon for meritorious service. Mrs. Marguerite Morgan Shumaker, MS '54, and their two sons have joined him at Camp McGill, Japan, for a year of overseas duty. . . . Edna Agnes Wilson makes her home in Lincoln, Neb.

## 1940

Noel Baker of Opelika has accepted an appointment in the office of Alabama Attorney General John Patterson in Montgomery. He was formerly deputy circuit clerk of Lee County. . . . Mrs. Ernestine Torbert Fuller lives in LaFayette. . . . William Almon Milan has moved to Charleston, S. C. . . . John C. Mosley is principal of Marengo County High School at Thomaston.

## 1941

Births: A daughter to Dr. and Mrs. R. O. Denton of Birmingham Dec. 28. Dr. Denton is an orthopedic surgeon.

C. G. Bramlett lives at Langdale. . . . Maj. Joseph S. Ferrari has been transferred to Highland, N. Y. . . . Harry E. Frech makes his home in the Birmingham suburb, Roebuck.

Dr. W. A. Jordan, Jr., has been named "Man of the Year" by the Alexander City Chamber of Commerce. Dr. Jordan, a veterinarian, was honored at a banquet for his community services. His activities include sports, little league baseball, church work, participation in the blood program and membership in the city's auxiliary fire department. Dr. Jordan is vice president of the Kiwanis Club. He is married and has five children.

Martin Lide of Birmingham was architect for the \$300,000 addition to the Shelby County Courthouse at Columbiana, which was dedicated in January. . . . Ken L. Lott, assistant vice presi-

dent of Merchants National Bank in Mobile, is chairman of the Mobile Chamber of Commerce's world trade committee. Mr. Lott presided at one session of the Conference on Foreign Trade and International Relations, sponsored by API, University of Alabama and the Alabama State Docks in Mobile Feb. 10-11. . . . Dr. Jake W. Nichols is a dentist in Bainbridge, Ga.

Ulay K. Wise has returned to the United States after serving with the State Department at American Embassies in Paris and Rome. He is Alabama sales representative for Spencer Chemical Co., and is making his home in Montgomery.

## 1942

Jack N. Becker lives in Mulberry, Fla. . . . William E. Cannady, petroleum engineer with International Petroleum Co., has been transferred from Barranquilla to Bogota, Colombia. He attended the 1954 Homecoming—his first since graduating in 1942—and reported he was "pleased to note many physical changes, but no change in that great Auburn spirit."

Herbert J. Fleming has moved to Birmingham, Mich. . . . A. Fred Henning is general sales manager for USCO Power Equipment Corp. of Birmingham. He joined the company in 1952. . . . Elvin Hill received a master of science degree in agricultural education at Auburn's fall commencement. He is principal of Shelby County High School at Columbiana. . . . Mrs. Ann Pafford Love is living in Jacksonville, Fla. . . . Hugh G. Maddox is football coach at Carrollton, Ga., High School.

## 1943

Births: A son, Lee Walker, to Dr. and Mrs. W. Frank Jenkins (Carolyn McCrary, '47) at Starkville, Miss., Dec. 22. Dr. Jenkins is assistant horticulturist with the Mississippi Agricultural Experiment Station at State College. The Jenkins have two other children, William, 4, and Susan, 3.

John C. Ball, Jr., is manager of Frederick-Williams and McGinty Furniture Co. in Auburn. Mrs. Ball is the former Ellen Williams, '45. . . . Guy B. Blackwell, Jr. has moved from Wilmington, Del., to Philadelphia, Penn. He is a partner in an engineering firm which operates in both cities. . . . Bill R. Brooks is secretary-treasurer of Leak-Memory Chapel Funeral Home in Montgomery. He is secretary-treasurer of the Alabama Funeral Directors Association. Mr. Brooks is a member of the Shrine, Exchange Club, American Legion, 40 and 8, and an associate of the Elizabeth Armstrong Chapter of Eastern Star.

Kermit R. Brown is Alabama Power Co. district manager at Greenville. Mrs. Brown is the former Kate Jones, '41. They have two sons. . . . Maj. Carroll S. Crawford is in charge of the department of radiology at Osaka Army Hospital, Osaka, Japan. . . . Jimmy A. Dowdy is a consulting and heating engineer in Montgomery. . . . John M. Druary appeared in the role of Edgardo in the opera, "Lucia di Lammermoor" in Milwaukee, Wis., under the auspices of the Florentine Opera Guild. . . . Dr. Harry L. Hillhouse is a veterinarian at Route 1, LaFayette, La.

## 1944

George L. Cobb is chief engineer for Columbia-Southern Chemical Corp. at New Martinsville, W. Va. He is in charge of maintenance, engineering and construction. . . . Mrs. Emma Payne Flowers was honored as the "Outstanding Woman of the Year" by the Twentieth Century Club of Ozark. She received an engraved cup in recognition of her achievements as city superintendent of education. . . . R. H. Svenson lives in Bogota, Colombia, South America, where he is an engineer for a B. F. Goodrich affiliated company.

## 1945

Marriages: Margaret Padgett, '47, to James Frederick Luquire in Auburn Dec. 26. Mr. Luquire is an engineer with Shook and Fletcher, air conditioning firm in Montgomery, and Mrs. Luquire is a laboratory technician for a Montgomery physician.

George Malcolm Dykes is a construction inspector for the U. S. Department of Agriculture in Mexico City, Mexico. He has worked with the foot-and-mouth disease program in Mexico for four and a half years. Mrs. Dykes is the former Dixie K. King of Irving, Tex. They have two children, Diantha Lee, 11, and Don M., 4.



## 1946

**Deaths:** Lt. Leon B. Burns, Jr., 32, Air Force pilot, in a jet plane crash near Augusta, Ga., Jan. 11. A native of Talladega, he had earned degrees in both aeronautical and mechanical engineering at Auburn. A World War II veteran, he returned to service after receiving his second degree from API in 1947. He was stationed near Macon, Ga., where his wife and two children live. Survivors also include his parents and two brothers.

Elmer R. Harlin makes his home in West Point, Ga. . . . Ted Hopton-Jones is a resident of Ft. Worth, Tex. . . . Walter P. Kennon, Opelika, received a doctor of philosophy degree in business from the University of Chicago in December.

Lt. John B. Letcher, USNR, lives in Bay City, Tex. . . . Jean Woodham, exhibited two terra cottas, "Feminie" and "Unit," in a collection of works of "Nine Young Americans" at the John Heller Gallery in New York in December and January. Although she exhibits work under her maiden name, she is the wife of James Lee Caraway, '40. The Caraways live in New York.

## 1947

**Births:** A son, Frank Garrett, to Dr. and Mrs. Hugh M. Long, Jr., of Tona-wanda, N. Y. Dr. Long, Auburn's first Rhodes scholar, is a research physicist with Linde Air Products Co. at Tona-wanda. The Longs also have another son.

W. Clyde Burke is vice-president and treasurer of Thompson Textiles, Inc., of Charlotte, N. C. Mrs. Burke is the former Norma Bohannon, '49. They have two children, Bobby, 2, and Bonny, nine months. . . . Maj. Harold C. Davis is stationed in the Veterinary Corps of the U. S. Air Force in Washington, D. C. He lives in Alexandria, Va. . . . Carl R. Fletcher, who has been on the coaching staff of Southwest High School in Atlanta for several years, has joined Central Chevrolet Co. in Atlanta.

Martha Huckabee is pharmacist for Bradford Drug Co. in Uniontown. . . . Thomas S. McDaniel is an electrical engineer-estimator with Miller Electric Co. in Columbia, S. C. He and Mrs. McDaniel (Mary Page, '48) have two daughters. . . . Mr. and Mrs. John B. Richardson (Rebecca Williamson, '43) live in Lynchburg, Va.

Herbie Strickland is head football coach at Irwin County High School, Ocilla, Ga. . . . Frances Walden is employed in the division of accreditation and travel, Office of Public Information, Department of Defense, Washington, D. C. . . . Orman W. Whitehead makes his home in Statesboro, Ga.

## 1948

**Births:** A son, Richard Allen, to Mr. and Mrs. William Berkey (Virginia Mummy) of Bremen, Ind., Jan. 1. . . . A daughter, Susan Jane, to Mr. and Mrs. Glenn T. Johnson of Birmingham Dec. 29. . . . A daughter, Laurie Virginia, to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Smith of Auburn in Macon, Ga., Jan. 16. Mr. Smith is assistant professor of mechanical engineering at API.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland M. Brown (Rheba Morris, '50) live in Marietta, Ga. He has been employed in the industrial accounting division of Lockheed Aircraft Corp. for more than three years. They have a son three and one-half years old. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harrison D. Campbell (Ann Summerour, '49) make their home in Dothan. . . . First Lt. Charles M. Dixon is serving with headquarters squadron 7559 in the European area, with a New York Army post office address.

Hugh W. Griffith, Jr., is an engineering assistant in meters and accessories for Sangamo Electric Co., Springfield, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Griffith have a daughter, Deborah Jane, 19 months old. . . . Dr. Loy Jordan is a veterinarian in Tuscaloosa. . . . Nolan Lang, Jr., is assistant coach at Brown High School in Atlanta. . . . William A. Lamkin, '48, '51, is connected with Coastal Plain Nurseries, at Blackshear, Ga.

Johnny C. Monroe has been named assistant manager of the Sears, Roebuck store in Macon, Ga. He is former personnel director at the West End Sears store in Atlanta. Mr. and Mrs. Monroe (Catherine del Homme, '49) have two children. . . . Bertram H. Sillman makes his home in Birmingham.

Robert W. Stanley is connected with the Hub Motor Co. in Atlanta. . . . Broda H. Webb, Jr., lives in Pittsburgh, Penn.

E. R. Wolf is coach at Baker High School in Columbus, Ga. . . . John

Parker Williams is a partner in Crossing Drug Store at Humboldt, Tenn. The pharmacist is also serving a two-year term on the Humboldt City Council as one of five elected aldermen. Mrs. Williams is the former Barbara Roote of Jackson, Tenn. They have a daughter, Mary Key, who was born March 17, 1954.

## 1949

**Births:** A daughter, Pamela Hill, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Richardson, Jr., in Huntsville Jan. 20. Mr. Richardson is an electrical engineer at Redstone Arsenal. They also have a son, Charles E., III, 20 months old. . . . A daughter, Rebecca Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell R. Sharpe, Jr., (Virginia Lowry, '52) in Tuscaloosa Jan. 12. Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe live at Emory University, Ga., where he holds a graduate fellowship.

**Marriages:** Helen Elizabeth Wells to William A. Phillips in Columbus, Ga., Dec. 24. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips are living in Albany, Ga., where he is connected with the Georgia Power Co. . . . Doris Jean Ozier to Herbert Cargile Rice, Jr., in Montgomery Jan. 11. . . . Mary Frances Rogers to Charles William Jones in Greenville Feb. 12. Mr. and Mrs. Jones are making their home in Greenville, where he is in business.

Robert W. Blackburn, Jr., is a television actor in New York. A former member of the Barter Theater Players, he won the Tallulah Bankhead award. . . . Byron S. Bruce, Jr., Opelika representative for Colonial Life and Accident Insurance Co., won an award for outstanding achievement during a recent sales contest. The prize was a trip to the company's "Millionaires Club" convention in New Orleans, La. . . . Calvin (Red) Emmert is head football coach at Roosevelt High School in Atlanta. He also coaches track.

Robert H. Flewellen, who has been Barbour County supervisor of veterans vocational agriculture training since his graduation from Auburn, has joined the Eufaula Publishing Co.'s staff. He is a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Eufaula and a member of the Rotary Club. Mr. and Mrs. Flewellen have three children, Paula, Louise and Robin.

Lt. (jg) Jimmie Ruth Fralic, USN, has been assigned to the WAVE Officer Indoctrination School at the U. S. Naval Station in Newport, R. I. Her duties as one of the four WAVE officers on the faculty will include teaching military law. Lt. Fralic took her indoctrination at the Newport school in 1950. She has since served in the Bureau of



Lt. Fralic

Ships, Washington, D. C., and the U. S. Naval Receiving Station at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. There her duties included personnel officer, training officer, information and education officer, Navy recruiting officer and officer in charge of barracks which housed 300 WAVES.

Gerald Gillespie is coach at Soperton (Ga.) High School. . . . J. Gaston Golsan has moved from Milledgeville to Dublin, Ga. . . . Paul C. Land lives in Falls Church, Va. . . . Sam C. MacIntire makes his home in Villa Rica, Ga.

Wesley W. Meeks is sales manager and engineer for North Alabama Lumber Co. in Jasper. He was recently elected to the board of directors of the Jasper Junior Chamber of Commerce. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Murray H. Norment (Nancy Lou White, '50) live in Birmingham. . . . Erskine Russell, Jr., '49, MS, '53, is athletic director at Grady High School in Atlanta.

John T. Shults is county agent for Poinsett County, Arkansas, with offices in Harrisburg. Mrs. Shults is the former Sarah E. Ward. . . . Oscar E. Spencer is connected with J. A. Jones Construction Co. and is working at the Shreveport, La., office. . . . Allen Vinson makes his home in Louisville. . . . Edgar H. Waldrup is a resident of Clanton. . . . Bobby F. Walls, Knoxville, Tenn., has been employed as a field test engineer with the Tennessee Valley Authority for the past five years. Mr. and Mrs. Walls have a son and a daughter. . . . William Edward (Bill) Wilson has been named assistant farm agent for Clay County. His offices are in Ashland.

Robert D. Stevens is sales representative for the Addressograph sales branch in Birmingham. . . . Dr. Russell H. Thompson has moved to Arlington, Va. . . . Florian H. Toulmin lives in Hope Hull. . . . Edward T. Williams, who is serving in Korea, has been promoted to

captain in the U. S. Army. Mrs. Ann Sturkie Williams, '48, and their daughter, Mary Beth, are living in Auburn while he is overseas.

## 1950

**Deaths:** William P. Crane, '25, of Oakman, Jan. 23, of injuries received in a traffic accident Jan. 21. After graduating from API in agricultural education, he entered service. He had been discharged only a short while before his death.

**Births:** A daughter, Anne Rochelle, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Hood, Jr., (Elizabeth Cox, '52) of Pensacola, Fla., Jan. 6. . . . A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Olan Coper, Jr., of Lindale, Ga., Jan. 12. Mr. Coper is coach at Lindale High School. . . . A son, Richard Walter Coleman, to Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Burkhardt of Port Gibson, Miss., in Vicksburg, Miss., Dec. 29.

**Marriages:** Mary Grace Covington to Leon Winkler in Wadesboro, N. C., Dec. 12. Mr. and Mrs. Winkler are making their home in Atlanta, where he is employed.

James H. Cook has been promoted to first lieutenant. He lives in Columbus, Ga. . . . Capt. John F. Cutcliff, Jr., has returned from a year's duty in Korea, Japan and Okinawa. He is stationed at March Air Force Base, Riverside, Calif. Capt. and Mrs. Cutcliff have a son, John Michael 2.

William G. DeWees, who is a design engineer at Alabama Engineering and Tool Co., in Huntsville, is teaching a course in descriptive geometry at the Huntsville University Center. He has had several years' experience with Cessna and Lockheed Aircraft. . . . Alma A. DeWitt is teaching at Highland View Elementary School in Gulf County, Fla. She lives in Port St. Joe. Her home is Fulton, in Clarke County, Ala. . . . Glenn Downs is in service and is stationed in London, England, on a two-year assignment.

Audrey Irma Earley makes her home in Ft. Walton Beach, Fla. . . . William M. Ector lives in Leeds. . . . Mrs. T. E. Elliott (Mary Lou Dickson) is a Birmingham resident. . . . Ronald L. Ellison lives in Thomasville, Ga. . . . Robert E. Fleming has been appointed assistant field director for the American Red Cross at Fort Campbell, Ky.

Capt. William B. Fleming, USMC, is stationed at the Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, N. C. . . . Mrs. Mary Carolyn Legg Gordon makes her home in Athens, Ala. . . . James O. Grumm lives in Birmingham. . . . Naval Lt. Lois E. Harden has been transferred from the Naval Station at Argentina, Newfoundland, to the Naval Air Station at Jacksonville, Fla. She is in the Supply Corps, disbursing office. She has recently been promoted from lieutenant, junior grade.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy L. Hart (Mary Catherine White, '52) make their home in Marshall, Tex. . . . Robert Gerald Hester has moved to Hapeville, Ga. . . . W. Boyd Hinton, Jr., is news editor of WRBL-TV in Columbus, Ga. Mrs. Hinton is the former Virginia C. Cooksey, MS, '48. . . . Thomas J. Holcombe is employed by Ingalls Shipbuilding Co. in Pascagoula, Miss. . . . Edward M. Holley is a resident of Decatur, Ga.

Dr. Glen W. Hunt is a veterinarian in Opelousas, La. . . . Mr. and Mrs. William R. Hutchinson (Jeanette Gore) live in Jacksonville, Fla. . . . Harold C. Ingram has been discharged from service and is making his home in Pensacola, Fla. He was a lieutenant with the 40th Tank Division of the Fourth Infantry, and served overseas. . . . Thomas V. James, Route 1, Trinity, is chief clerk in the Morgan County office of Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service. He has charge of marketing quota records.

James M. Johnson, Jr., lives in Mobile. . . . Ed Johnston has been named deputy circuit clerk of Lee County. Mr. Johnston was formerly an accountant in Opelika. . . . Capt. Kirk A. Jordan has returned from overseas and is making his home on Route 1, Montgomery. . . . Gene Kennedy lives in Burlington, N. C. . . . William H. Kirkland is employed as a sales engineer with Electrical Repair and Service Co. in Birmingham. Mr. and Mrs. Kirkland, the former Yvonne James, have one son, Kirk.

Erma L. McDaniel is associated with Lane Drug Stores in Columbus, Ga., as a pharmacist. . . . Robert G. McMillon makes his home in Monroeville. . . . Ronald L. Moreland lives in Maryville, Tenn.

John Lewis Mullins, Jr., Dothan, received a master of science degree in

business administration at the December graduation at API. Other 1950 graduates receiving masters degrees were Charles Smith Walsh, Montgomery, forestry; and James Wilson Newberne, Adel, Ga., veterinary medicine.

Dr. Francis B. O'Neal is a veterinarian in Centre. . . . James D. Ott, Jr., lives in Birmingham. . . . George Patterson, veterinarian, is enrolled at the University of Georgia Medical School. His home is at Bainbridge, Ga., Route 1. . . . Mr. and Mrs. George W. Peake, Jr., (Barbara Ann Hutchison) live in Macon, Ga. . . . Ralph Pyburn is coach at Savannah High School. His football team won the South Georgia Class AA championship in 1954.

John D. Peques makes his home in Louisville, Ky. . . . James O. Pridgen, Jackson, Miss., is employed as a mortgage loan appraiser by Prudential Insurance Co. of America. He has been in Jackson 4½ years. Mrs. Pridgen is the former Leatrice Bronxon of DeFuniak Springs, Fla. . . . G. W. Purdy lives in Piedmont. . . . Harrison F. Rees has been discharged from the 839th Engineer Aviation Battalion, after serving overseas in the Pacific theater. He is making his home in Birmingham. . . . William M. Stewart, Jr., has moved from Ft. Payne to Birmingham.

James O. Thomas has moved from East Point, Ga., to Birmingham. . . . Raphael P. Thompson is a resident of Florence. . . . Robert D. Thompson lives in Ozark. . . . Homer S. Waid is working with Wilmot C. Douglas, architect, in Birmingham. Mrs. Waid is the former Catherine Adams, '51. . . . Maj. Edward S. Wilson, USAF, is stationed at Princeton Junction, N. J.

A. J. Wright has moved from Gadsden to Huntsville, where he is employed as a production specialist in the National Maintenance Plant, Redstone Arsenal. . . . Glenn E. Wright has moved to Orlando, Fla., where he is handling the office of Suran Architectural Woodwork Co. . . . Dr. Grady J. Wheeler is a veterinarian in Burlington, N. C.

## 1951

**Births:** A son, Richard Kirk, to Capt. and Mrs. Richard I. Sudhoff (Charlotte Williams, '50) at Camp Lejeune, N. C., Dec. 6. . . . A daughter, Judith Lynn, to Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Alford of Birmingham Dec. 3. . . . A son, John Hunter, to Mr. and Mrs. Hunter C. Foy of Claxton, Ga., Dec. 20. . . . A son, Kenneth Edward, to Dr. and Mrs. Ed Minor of Route 5, Clanton, Jan. 1. . . . A son, Thomas Joseph, to Mr. and Mrs. William (Bill) Beckwith (Anne Bailey) in Auburn Jan. 28. Mr. Beckwith is Auburn's sports publicity director. The Beckwiths have a second son, William, Jr.

**Marriages:** Peggy Yvonne Armfield to Dorsey Eugene Newman in Birmingham Jan. 7. . . . Betty Lou Campbell to Thomas Dwight Jones in Brewton Jan. 8. Mr. and Mrs. Jones are making their home in Huntsville, where Mr. Jones is in business as a pharmacist.

Lt. Jessie M. Andrews is a student at the Army Aviation School at Camp Rucker. . . . Charles Malcolm Bartlett is employed in the engineering department of Stockham Valves and Fittings Co. in Birmingham. . . . Harold D. Boyd lives in Childersburg.

Robert K. Landrum has been employed as an industrial engineer with Tennessee Coal and Iron Division of U. S. Steel in Birmingham since 1952. . . . Carlos E. Lee has moved to San Diego, Calif. . . . Charles Henry Lee lives in Alexander City. . . . James W. Lindsey has moved to Raleigh, N. C. . . . Robert W. McMillan is an engineer with the construction division of DuPont Co. in Charleston, W. Va. . . . H. Don Mantz, Jr., is employed as a construction engineer in the transmission department of Florida Power and Light Co. at Miami. Mrs. Mantz is the former Dorothy Ann Johnson of Ft. Myers, Fla. They have one son, Don Douglas.

John M. Martin lives in Sumter, S. C. . . . Lt. William K. Nelson has completed a six-week preparatory course at Sumter, S. C., and has been assigned to Germany. He will be there three years. . . . Lt. Grover C. Peebles, Jr., is in the Army in Korea. . . . Richard Powell is office manager of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. in Tuscaloosa. Mrs. Powell is the former Betty L. Smith, '52.

Lt. William E. Rawlinson has been assigned to the Far Eastern Command in Japan, and has reported for duty there. Mrs. Rawlinson (Mary Anne Floyd, '52) of Opelika accompanied her



husband to California. . . . Earl M. Shields lives in Panama City, Fla. . . . William E. Stone, Jr., is a resident of Snow Hill. Mrs. Stone is the former Marilita Powell. . . . John C. Thies makes his home in Birmingham.

Warren S. Thompson holds the H. E. Westervelt Forestry Fellowship for graduate study at Auburn this year. The \$2,000 gift fellowship was established by Gulf States Paper Corp. of Tuscaloosa. Mr. Thompson, a 1951 Auburn graduate with a major in wood utilization, has served as assistant forester at Mississippi State College. . . . Clement C. Torbert, III, has been named Opelika City Court recorder. . . . James McLemore Walker, Milstead, is now in the U. S. Army.

## 1952

**Births:** A son, Michael Kelly, to Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Hammond of Troy Dec. 10. . . . A son to Mr. and Mrs. John G. Sanderson of Ensley, Birmingham, Dec. 28. . . . A son, Fred Barry, III, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Perry, Jr., of Montgomery Jan. 14.

**Marriages:** Betty Clair Billingsley, '54, to George E. Reid Sept. 19. Mr. and Mrs. Reid are making their home in Anniston. . . . Jeanne Goodman to Earl Burgess Brown at New Brockton Dec. 31. Mr. and Mrs. Brown live in Pensacola, Fla., where he is employed. . . . Anne Crook Orum '54, to Lt. (jg) Roddis Stewart Jones at Midway Jan. 7. Lt. and Mrs. Jones are making their home in San Francisco, Calif., where he is serving aboard the USS Henderson. He has recently completed a tour of duty in the Far East. . . . Ann Judson Dorsey to John Leon Adair in Opp Jan. 29. They are making their home in Tuscaloosa, where Mr. Adair is a law student.

**First Lt. Allan L. Parks** has received silver wings as an Air Force jet pilot at Laredo Air Force Base, Tex. . . . Earl Patton is a graduate student in education at Auburn. He was discharged from the Field Artillery with the rank of lieutenant after serving in the Far East. . . . Mrs. Marianne Todd Porter makes her home in Sheffield. . . . Dr. S. Allen Price lives in Birmingham. . . . Alvis W. Pyle, Jr., has moved to Lexington, Tenn. . . . Charles W. Ray lives in Collingswood, N. J. . . . Thomas A. Ray has returned from Washington, D. C., to his home, Route 6, Lexington, Ky. . . . Melvin W. Rush of Mobile has entered New Orleans Baptist Seminary to study religious education. . . . George T. Sharman, Jr., has been named manager of the Thorsby Foundation Seed Stocks Farm, operated by the API Agricultural Experiment Station. Mr. Sharman, an agronomist, was formerly assistant superintendent of the Plant Breeding unit at Tallahassee. . . . Hiram W. Stewart is a sales representative for E. R. Squibb and Sons of New York in the Gulfport, Miss., area. . . . James G. Stokes has received his discharge from service, and is living in Reform.

## Auburn Class Ring Collection Donated

EIGHT CLASS rings have found their way back to Auburn.

They are in a collection of "Auburn Rings Through the Years," presented to API by Eugene G. Fitzgerald, Jr., '50, on behalf of Fitzgerald and Son of Birmingham.

Auburn President Ralph B. Draughon accepted the gift.

The senior Mr. Fitzgerald, representative of L. G. Balfour Co., has been supplying Auburn with college jewelry since 1918. He has had more years of service as a traveling representative for college and high school jewelry than any other man in the United States.

Mr. Fitzgerald collected the eight styles of rings in the display over the past 20 years. Each ring was obtained from an alumnus and replaced with a new one.

Rings in the collection were owned by the late J. R. Hines, Alexander City, '17; J. P. Creel, Sylacauga, '21; J. F. Hamilton, Inverness, '22; J. P. Howard, Eclectic, '23; the late J. Parker Evans, Birmingham, '25; and E. H. Causey, Centre, who received his master's degree in 1937. The 1948 and 1955 rings were a gift of the L. G. Balfour Co.

The collection is on display in the main lobby of the Auburn Union. Later it will be placed in the Auburn Alumni Association headquarters in the Union.

O. Eugene Taylor is a resident of Florence. . . . Walter B. Vail lives in Armstrong. . . . William D. Vickers makes his home in Florence. . . . Joe F. Walters, Jr., resides in Troy. . . . George W. Warren lives in Montgomery. . . . Lt. Homer E. Williams, Jr., is stationed at Clovis Air Force Base, N. M., with the 312th Fighter Bomber Group.

Mrs. Lucille Lewis Williams lives in Columbus, Ga. . . . Howard B. Williams is a Monroe resident. . . . Lt. Russell E. Wiltzie, USMC, has completed training at Pensacola, Fla., and is now at the U. S. Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Corpus Christi, Tex.



Lt. Wiltzie

## 1953

**Births:** A daughter, Kathy Jean, to Lt. and Mrs. William E. Poole of Leeds Dec. 18. . . . A son to Mr. and Mrs. William M. Adair of Birmingham Dec. 28. . . . A son, Vandiver William, to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Keller (Ann Sanders, '56) in LaGrange, Ga. Nov. 28. Mr. Keller is serving with the First Marine Division in Korea.

**Marriages:** Marianne Arnett to Lt. Walter Cullars, III, in LaGrange, Ga., Dec. 23. They are making their home at Wichita Falls, Tex., where Lt. Cullars is stationed at Sheppard Air Force Base.

Lt. William M. Anderson is stationed at Smyrna, Tenn., with the Air Force. . . . George V. Ashmore lives in Columbia, S. C. . . . Frank M. Barnett, Jr., resides in Camden. . . . Dean Blankenship lives in Yulee, Fla. . . . First Lt. James W. Brazell is serving in the Air Force at Kirkland Air Force Base, N. M. . . . Frank K. Bruce, Jr., lives in Houston, Tex.

Florence Carroll is a resident of Ozark. . . . Foy R. Carroll, Jr., makes his home in Burlington, N. C. . . . Patricia J. Caylor lives in New Orleans, La. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Clark (Martha Lou Benbow, '52) are living in Smyrna, Ga. They have a daughter, Amy, 11 months old. . . . Russell S. Clark, MS, assumed his duties as principal of Lee County High School in Auburn Feb. 1. He has completed all requirements for an Ed. D. degree from Columbia University, where he has been since April, 1953. Mr. and Mrs. Clark have a son and a daughter.

Charles D. Cox, formerly of Route 3, Bremerton, Wash., has accepted a position as supervisory chemical engineer at the U. S. Naval Powder Factory, Indian Head, Md. Mrs. Cox and their two children have joined him in Maryland. . . . Thomas H. Crawford has moved from DeFuniak Springs, Fla., to Marianna. . . . Royce A. Currie makes his home in Birmingham.

Edgar M. Dailey, a Westinghouse engineer, is employed at Charlotte, N. C. . . . William N. Dean is associated with Hayes Aircraft in Birmingham. . . . Mr. and Mrs. William T. Donnell (Carolyn Little) make their home in Jackson, Tenn., where Mr. Donnell is an architect. . . . Lt. Henry L. Dowling is commander of Company B, 645th Engineer Battalion, Fort Campbell, Ky. He recently returned from an assignment in Germany. . . . Vernon Etheridge lives in Pasadena, Tex.



API RECEIVED ITS first collection of class rings when Eugene G. Fitzgerald, '50, (second from left) presented a gift of "Auburn Rings Through the Years" to President Ralph B. Draughon, '22, (right). Alumni Secretary Joseph B. Sarver, Jr., '37, (left) and Jim Johnson, student body president from Tusculum, examine the models.

## 1954

**Deaths:** Lt. Stuart Hayne Breckenridge in training at Fort Knox, Ky., Jan. 29. Lt. Breckenridge was a June, 1954, graduate in ornamental horticulture. He had entered service Jan. 3, and was assigned to Fort Knox. He was a native of Savannah, Ga. Survivors include his mother, Mrs. J. M. Breckenridge of Savannah.

**Deaths:** Pfc. Samuel T. Shepherd, U. S. Marines, in an automobile accident near Adrian, Ga., in the fall of 1954. He attended Auburn from 1950-53, and was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. His home was in Birmingham.

**Births:** A daughter, Teresa Lynn, to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kendrick Gray (Patricia Roan, '57) of Auburn Jan. 6. . . . A son, Fred Albert, to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Sumrall (Patty Fleming) Jan. 7. Mr. Sumrall is at Fort Jackson, S. C., in the Army.

**Marriages:** Merle Woods to Jack Watson in Russellville Jan. 22. They are making their home in Pittsburgh, Penn., where Mr. Watson is associated with the Aluminum Co. of America. . . . Suzanne Buckingham to Lt. John T. Benton, Jr., in Birmingham Jan. 16. . . . Elizabeth Newman to Ens. Julian Brown, Jr., in Selma Dec. 21. They are making their home in Pensacola, Fla., where Ens. Brown is serving at the Naval Air Station. . . . Jill Carpenter, '55, to Charles A. Little in Andalusia Feb. 12. Mr. Little is an insurance agent for Mutual of New York Insurance Co. in Andalusia. . . . Barbara Jeanne Willets, '56, to William A. Massey Nov. 6. They are making their home in Birmingham, where Mr. Massey is a sales representative for Addressograph-Multigraph Co.

Lt. John Allen Kelley is attending the basic Infantry Officers Course at Fort Benning, Ga. . . . Patrick W. Kelly is an engineer with Westinghouse Electric Corp. During a nine-month training period, he will work at various Westinghouse centers throughout the country. . . . Jesse J. King is a junior engineer with Convair at the Engineering Test Laboratory in Fort Worth, Tex.

George T. Kirby is a student at Westinghouse's Educational Department in East Pittsburgh, Penn., under the graduate training program. . . . Henry E. Kirkland is an engineer trainee with International Paper Co. at Mobile. He and Mrs. Kirkland live in Chickasaw. They have a two-year-old daughter, Karen. . . . William J. Kirksey is a salesman with Coca-Cola Bottling Co. in Montgomery. . . . Dale Roland Koehler has returned to Auburn as a graduate student in physics. Last summer he was a junior research engineer with Humble Oil Co.

Grady B. Lake is a production control station superintendent with Hayes Aircraft Corp. in Birmingham. . . . Mrs. Betty Ray Langford is an English teacher at Valley High School in Fairfax. Mrs. Langford and her husband, Louie E. Langford, have a three-year-old daughter, Angela Diane. . . . Billy Graves Lawrence, Gadsden, is a second lieutenant in the U. S. Army. . . . Roy J. Ledbetter is assistant Houston County agent with the API Extension Service at Dothan. . . . Angelus George Likos, Gadsden, has entered the Army.

Jerry Wilbur Little, Jr., has reported to Naval Officers Candidate School at Newport, R. I. Before entering service, he was a salesman for Electric City Printing Co. in Anderson, S. C. . . . Ruth Lockett is a teacher at Talladega. . . . J. Lewis Logan is employed by

General Electric in Utica, N. Y., as an engineer trainee. . . . Mrs. Martha Windham Lowman, MS, is a librarian at Central Elementary School in Phenix City.

Elizabeth C. MacTaggart, MS, is a fourth grade teacher at Eastway School in the Muscogee (Ga.) County system. She lives in Columbus. . . . Charles Clifton McCurley is coach and teacher at Elba High School. . . . Jack McDaniel is service manager for McDaniel Motor Co. in Florida. . . . Hector O. McDonald is assistant district chemist for Southern Cotton Oil Co. in Chicago. . . . Mrs. Nina Todd McDowell lives in West Point, Ga.

Bobby L. McLendon is serving with the 3530th Student Squadron at Bryan Air Force Base, Tex., as an aviation cadet. . . . Robert Frederick McLeroy is plant manager for Bessemer Gas and Appliance Co. He and Mrs. Lohner Frances McLeroy have a one-year-old daughter, Catherine.

Lovie Mae Mallette, MS, is a fourth grade teacher at Forest Avenue School in Montgomery. . . . Ens. William A. Manly, Jr., is on sea duty, attached to the engineering division of the USS Corregidor. Mrs. Manly is the former Patricia Lasserre, '53, of Fairhope. . . . Ens. Barry Butler Marsh is serving on the USS Coolbaugh (DE 217), with a New York fleet post office address. . . . James E. Martin holds a research assistantship at North Carolina State College's department of agricultural economics. He is working toward a master's degree, and is living in Raleigh.

Airman Third Class Allen B. Miles is stationed at Eglin Field, Fla., with the 3201st Aircraft Repair Squadron. . . . Mrs. Ann Wright Mobley lives in Columbus, Ga. . . . Lt. Arthur D. Moore, Jr., is stationed at Ellington Air Force Base, Houston, Tex. . . . David C. Morrill is an instructor pilot in multi-engine T-28 and B-25 phase of pilot training with the 3576th Squadron at Vance Air Force Base, Okla.

Ralph J. Morris is a chemical engineer for Chemstrand Corp. in Pensacola, Fla. . . . Robert L. Mosley is district executive for the Georgia-Carolina Council of Boy Scouts of America. . . . Nick F. Muto has moved from Haverford to Upper Darby, Penn.

Mr. and Mrs. Nash S. Nelson (Bealon S. Nelson, MS) live at Route 1, Glen Allen. Mrs. Nelson teaches English for the Fayette County board of education. . . . Jackson C. Nelson, MS, is principal of the Crenshaw County elementary school at Route 1, Brantley. He and Mrs. Nelson have a daughter, Patricia, 10. . . . Robert S. Newman is serving with Company C, Second Battalion, Medical Training Center, Fort Sam Houston, Tex. . . . Gaye W. Nickerson teaches in the Decatur, Ga. school system.

Abe Oliver, Jr. is assistant entomologist with Mississippi State College at Starkville. . . . Lt. Joseph David Owen has completed a course in installations engineering at the U. S. Air Force Institute of Technology, and has been assigned to the Special Services Squadron at Colorado Springs, Colo. His work will be architectural drawing relative to the construction of the USAF Academy. Lt. and Mrs. Owen have a son, Joseph D., Jr., one year old.

Charles L. Palmer is employed in the standards department of Swift and Co. in Moultrie, Ga. . . . Leon E. Papanastos is a student at the University of Alabama dental school in Birmingham. . . . Algie O. Parker, MS, is coach and social science teacher at LaGrange High School, Ga. . . . Floyd O. Parker, MS, is a teacher at Alabama Christian College in Montgomery. . . . Joseph E. Parmer is employed by the E. E. Forbes Piano Co. in Montgomery.

Jack M. Passailaigue, Jr., is stationed at Marine Barracks, U. S. Naval Base, Norfolk, Va. . . . Lt. and Mrs. Harold E. Pate (Martha Holland, '52) have been transferred from Fort Sill, Okla., to New Braunfels, Tex. . . . Mary Jo Peacock, MS, teaches mathematics at Newman, Ga., junior high school. . . . James W. Peoples, Jr., is a field engineer with General Electric Co., serving as a technical representative to military services at Liverpool, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Peoples (Lucile Carleton) live in Clay, N. Y.

Mary E. Penn is a third grade teacher at Ft. Pierce (Fla.) elementary school. . . . Nancy L. Peters is a research assistant with the anatomy department at Southwestern Medical School, Dallas, Tex. . . . Mr. and Mrs. David C. Pettis (Margaret Sowell) are residing in New Orleans, La. Mrs. Pettis holds a stenographic position with a law firm while Mr. Pettis is attending Tulane University. . . . Ens. James C. Poole, Jr., is serving aboard the USS Roanoke (CL-145), care of fleet post office, New York City.